

DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

The drawings filed on 7/31/2006 are accepted by the Examiner.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The limitations of, "... the magnetic bearing component connected to the rotor shaft (4) of the spinning rotor (3) is configured as a radially slotted permanent disk-shaped magnet ring (32, 42), in order to ensure the deformability required to draw on a ring liner (6, 7).," in combination with the remaining claimed structure is neither found nor fairly suggested in the prior art or any combination thereof.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DAVID W. SCHEUERMANN whose telephone number is (571)272-2035. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Quyen Leung can be reached at (571) 272-8188. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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